

Thursday, 13 November 2025

Severe weather expected over the central and eastern South Africa this coming weekend

The South African Weather Service (SAWS) advises that the central and eastern parts of South Africa are expected to experience a severe weather event over the coming weekend into early next week. This will be due to an intense weather system, a cut-off low pressure, that is expected to affect the country from Saturday through to Monday (15-17 November 2025). This type of weather system is often associated with widespread rainfall and severe thunderstorms, which both bring a risk of flooding, amongst others.

As such, the expected hazards are:

- Heavy rains with a risk of flooding in places.
- Severe thunderstorms producing strong damaging winds, large amounts of small hail as well as excessive lightning.
- A significant drop in daytime temperatures.

The possible resultant impacts include flooding of settlements and other properties, dangerous driving conditions, damage to infrastructure (due to flooding and strong winds), as well as the disruption of essential services. There could also be danger to life due to fast-flowing streams of water.

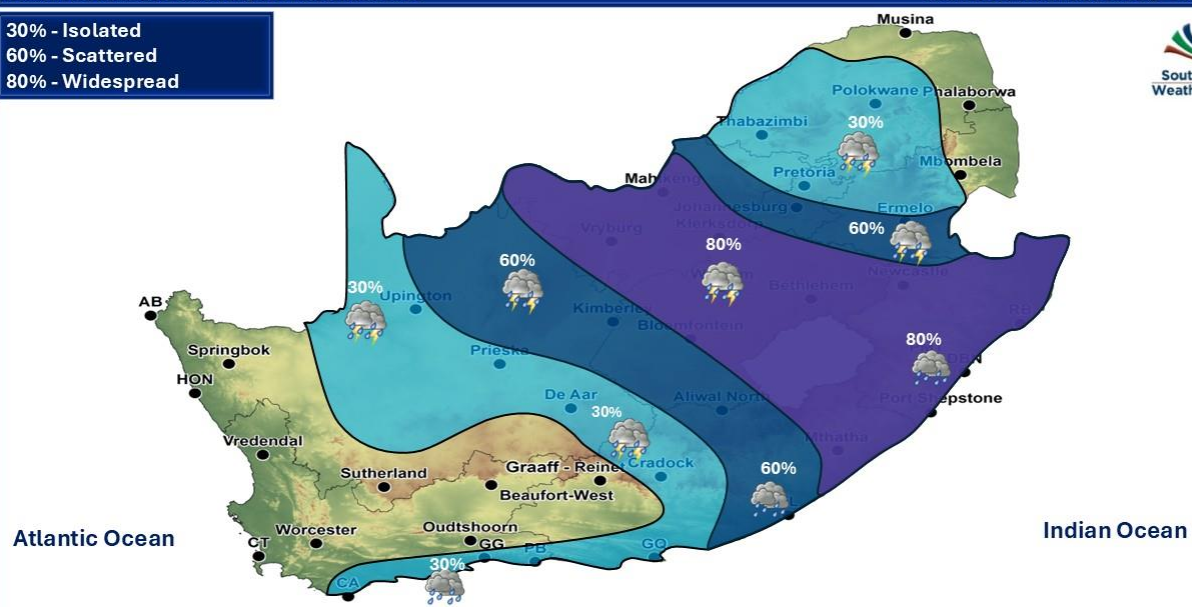
The above-mentioned impacts, with a varying degree of severity, are expected over the central interior (North West, Free State, the eastern parts of the Eastern Cape and Northern Cape) and KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday, spreading to the eastern parts (Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, and KwaZulu-Natal) of the country from Sunday into Monday.

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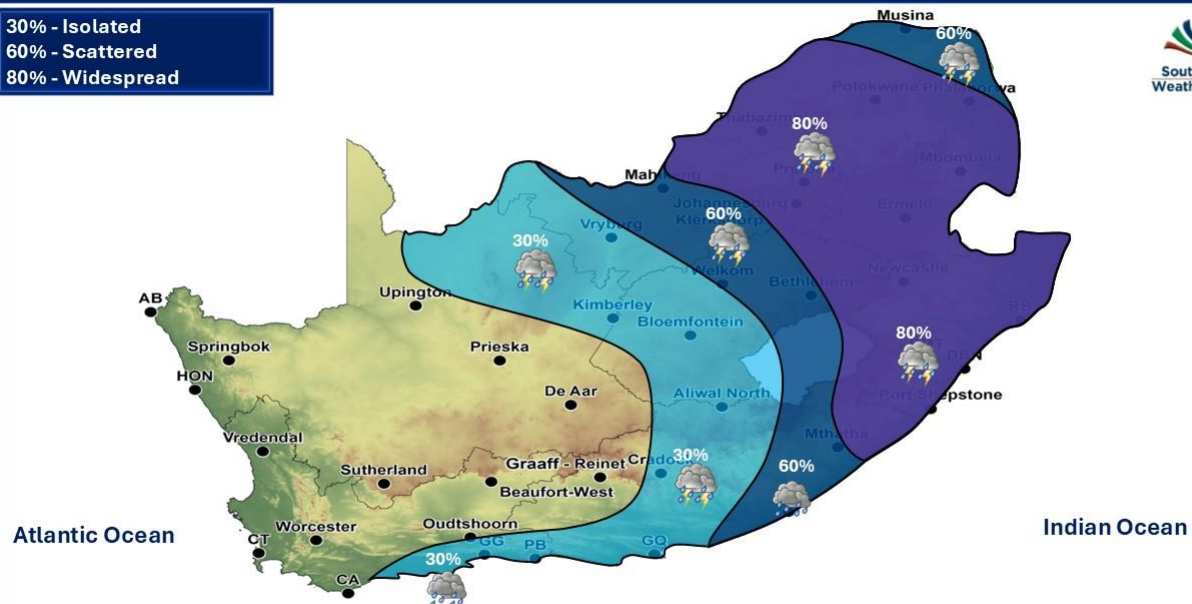
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Figure 1: Weather forecast for Saturday, where scattered to widespread showers and thundershowers can be expected over the central interior and the eastern parts of the country.

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Figure 2: Weather forecast for Sunday, where scattered to widespread showers and thundershowers can be expected over the eastern parts of the country.

The SAWS urges the public, farmers and other stakeholders to closely monitor weather updates and prepare to take the necessary precautions ahead of these expected adverse conditions.

Weather warnings are updated daily and can be accessed on the SAWS website (www.weathersa.co.za), broadcasts on radios and television channels.

Warnings are also updated daily on X (@SAWeatherServic), and Facebook (South African Weather Service).

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